WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Schemes for new transmitters in Gujarat

*23. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 928 given in the Rajya Sabha on 1st March, 1994 and state:

(a) the schemes of All India Radio and Doordarshan for setting up new transmitters to augment the existing ones in Gujarat; and

(b) the present stage of each of the schemes particularly in the Saurashtra Region,

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b)

Details of All India Radio/Doordarshan Schemes in the State of Gujarat Including Saurashtra Region

Location	Scheme/Type of Transmitter	Present Status/Expected date of completion
1	2	3
I. *All India Radio :*		
*Junagarh (Saurashtra)	New Radio Station with 2×3 KW FM Transmitter	1995-96
Vadodara	Local Radio Station with 2×3 KW FM Transmitter	1995-96
Ahmedabad	Replacement/Upgradation of 1 KW MW Transmitter by 2×5 KW FM Transmitter	1995-96
II. *Doordarshan :*		
Bhuj	High Power Transmitter	1995-96
Ider	Low Power Transmitter	1995-96 **
*Dharangdara	-do-	Installation completed. Undertaking test transmission.
*Morvi	-do-	1995-96**
*Mangrol (Junagarh Distt.)	-do-	1995-96**
Nakhtarana	-do-	1995-96**
Rapar	-do-	Installation completed. Undertaking test transmission.
Deesa	-do-	1995-96**
*Rajula	-do-	1995-96**
Sanjeli/Santrampur	-do-	1995-96**
*Khambalia	-do-	1995-96**

1	2	3
Amod	Low Power Transmitter	1995-96**
Mangrol (Surat Distt.) . .	-do-	1995-96**
Jhagadia	-do	1995-96**
*Mahuva	-do	1995-96**
*Palitana	-do	1995-96**
Netrang	Very Low Power Transmitter	1995-96**
Devgarh-Baria	-do-	1995-96**

*The star marked projects are being set up in Saurashtra Region.

**LPT/VLPTs targetted for commissioning by 1995-96 are subject to availbability of requisite infrastructural requirements and timely supply of equipments.

Dulhasti Hydroelectric Power Project

*24. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether work on the Dulhasti Hydroelectric Power Project in J&K is likely to resume shortly; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI N. K. P. SALVE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. National Hydroelectric Power Corporation and the French Consortium of firms are negotiating the terms of resumption of work and towards this end a Memorandum of Understanding was recently signed by them.

Inflation going into double digits

*29. SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI: MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that inflation has gone upto double figures during the last one month; if so, reasons therefor; and

(b) the measures Government have taken to check the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Yes, Sir, the latest inflation rate for the week ended 9th July, 1994 was 10.35 per cent. The rate of inflation had declined very significantly in the middle of 1993-94 but inflationary pressures resurfaced in the later part of the year. Factors that may have fuelled inflationary expectations were: (i) a high fiscal deficit; (ii) high growth of money supply; (iii) production shortfalls in sugar, cotton, jute and groundnut and (iv) large increases in minimum farm support prices continuously for the last three years and the consequent rise in the issue price for PDS.

(b) Anti-inflationary measures taken in recent months are:

(i) Striving to limit the fiscal deficit for 1994-95 to 6 per cent of GDP as against 7.3 per cent last year.

(ii) placing a cap on temporary borrowings from RBI and progressively eliminating recourse to ad-